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To: [Melissa Smith](#); [Cynthia Brown](#)
Subject: Re: can I get a short summary on USOR/MCC status?
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Sure, no problem, Melissa. Let me know if the summary below works for you.

On 8/25/11, EPA executed a CERCLA AOC in which more than 20 PRPs agreed to perform site stabilization work at the site. In September, EPA issued a UAO to several parties, including owner/operators, to not interfere with the response activities after discovering certain parties planned on removing numerous equipment, including heavy equipment, posing a risk of further releases and disruption of response work. Also in September, EPA proposed the site to be listed on the NPL.

In October, EPA sent approximately 20 notice letters and 104(e) information requests. The letters notified recipients that EPA had identified them as PRPs based on information from TCEQ's STEERS reporting database and invited them to enter into the site stabilization AOC and join the PRP Group performing the site stabilization work.

EPA is in the process of issuing notice letters to the current owner/operators whom the EPA believes are insufficiently financially viable to perform any response work. EPA continues to review information in its possession, such as manifest records found on site and TCEQ STEERS database, in its ongoing effort to identify additional generator PRPs. EPA has also begun investigating past owner/operators which it suspects may be responsible for hazardous substances released during past hide tanning operations.

EPA intends to approach generator PRPs in the near future to perform a surface assessment and surface removal. EPA also intends to approach those additional PRPs identified, if any, who may be responsible for the release of hazardous substances normally attributed to hide tanning operations to perform an RI/FS.

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----- Original Message -----

From: Melissa Smith
Sent: 12/02/2011 07:58 AM CST
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Subject: can I get a short summary on USOR/MCC status?

My Branch Chief (Mark Hansen) is meeting with TCEQ on Monday. He is going to give them a brief update on some of our activities including our efforts to investigate some of the generators that were sending waste to USOR. Since they might ask about what the Superfund status is (he is meeting with the enforcement folks), can you give me a short summary of what has occurred since last spring when we had the meeting with the PRPs?

Thank you!!!

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